

**At a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown,  
RI held at the Middletown Town Hall on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at  
6:00 P.M.**

**Council President Arthur S. Weber, Jr., Presiding**

**Vice President Bruce J. Long**

**Councillor Richard Cambra**

**Councillor Christopher T. Semonelli**

**Councillor Edward J. Silveira, Jr.**

**Councillor Antone C. Viveiros**

**Councillor Barbara A. VonVillas, Members Present**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**RECONSIDERATION**

**The Middletown Town Council follows the codification of present-day general parliamentary law as articulated in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 10th edition (2000), together with whatever rules of order the Council has adopted for its own governance. The motion to reconsider is one of the motions that can bring a question again before an assembly, and is designed to bring back for further consideration a motion which has already been voted on:**

**If, in the same session that a motion has been voted on, but no later than the same day or the next day on which a business meeting is held, new information or a changed situation makes it appear that a different result might reflect the true will of the assembly, a member who voted with the prevailing side can, by moving to Reconsider [RONR (10th ed.), p. 304-321] the vote, propose that the question shall come before the assembly again as if it had not previously been considered. (From Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised In Brief, Robert, Evans et al., De Capo Press, 2004)**

**There were no reconsiderations.**

## **PRESENTATION**

**1. Town Administration recommendation of FY 2012-2013 Proposed Department Budget – Senior Center Board of Directors and matters related thereto.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to begin said presentation.**

**Present, was Senior Citizens Director Arleen Kaull, Senior Citizens Center Board of Directors President Julia M. Finn and members Karen Douglas Johnson, Olga P. Probert, Joyce Quinn, Alice M. Whitney and Elizabeth A. Yashura.**

**Senior Citizens Director Arleen Kaull presented the Council with a handout illustrating a snapshot of the activities offered at the Middletown Senior Center in 2011.**

**Julia Finn, President of the Senior Citizens Board of Directors addressed the Council noting that the Board meets once a month. Ms. Finn noted that the board wishes to increase membership and programs provided at the center and continue fundraising efforts.**

**Discussion centered around the condition of the building, available space at the building, transportation to and from the center, collaborating with another agency for transportation, volunteers at the center, the Senior activity fund/fundraising and a security system for the facility.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**2. Pursuant to provisions of RIGL, Sections 42-46-2., 42-46-4., and 42-46-5. (a) (2) Litigation (Tax Assessment Appeals).**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to recess open session at 6:35 P.M. and reconvene in executive session.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to reconvene in open session at 7:05 P.M.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to seal the minutes of the executive session pursuant to Section 42-46-7. RIGL.**

## **PUBLIC FORUM SESSION**

**3. Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Rules of the Council, Citizens may address the town on one (1) subject only, said subject of substantive Town business, neither discussed during the regular meeting nor related to personnel or job performance. Citizens may speak for no longer than five (5) minutes and must submit a public participation form to the Council Clerk prior to the start of the meeting.**

**No one addressed the Council during this session.**

## **CONSENT**

**4. Approval of Minutes, re: Regular Meeting, December 19, 2011.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve said minutes.**

**5. Memorandum of Acting Tax Assessor, with enclosures, re: Cancellation of Taxes for certain Middletown residents.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said memorandum.**

**6. Resolution of the Council, re: Cancellation of Taxes for certain Middletown residents.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to pass said resolution.**

## **LICENSES**

**7. Application of Supercuts Corporate Shops, Inc. dba Supercuts #90832, 1364 West Main Road, for a Holiday License for the 2011-2012 licensing year. (NEW)**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to grant said license.**

**8. Application of Jet Black, Inc. dba Joedega, Cranston, RI, for a Peddlers License for the 2011-2012 licensing year. (NEW)**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to grant said license.**

#### **OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

**9. Email Communication of Tina Dolen, Executive Director of the AIPC, re: Aquidneck Island Planning Commission requests a formal endorsement for its Traffic Management Study.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said email communication.**

**Tina Dolen, Executive Director of the Aquidneck Island Planning**



**Commission, addressed the Council requesting endorsement of the completed Aquidneck Island Planning Commission's Traffic Management Study.**

**On motion of Councillor Silveira, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to endorse the Aquidneck Island Planning Commission's Traffic Management Study.**

## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

**10. Memorandum of Vice President Long, re: Discussion of term limits for the Wind Turbine Committee.**

**On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said memorandum.**

**Vice President Long noted that the discussion concerning term limits**

for the Wind Turbine Committee is due to Councillor Cambra's request at the last regular meeting of the Council, held on December 19, 2011. Mr. Long suggests that term limits be revisited in a year. The committee has met their charge and is continuing to work with the East Bay Consortium.

Councillor Cambra explained that the committee is very active with a charge.

Christine Weglowski-Forster, Chair of the Wind Turbine Committee, addressed the Council noting the history of the committee and the findings in the report submitted to the Council in 2009. Ms. Forster explained that the committee is investigating three other potential locations within the Town for a Municipal Wind Turbine. The committee will supply information to the Council within the next few months.

On motion of Vice President Long, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn said meeting at 7:20 P.M.

**Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC**

**Council Clerk**